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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 5 1. A method for verification of a voucher by a gaming printer,
comprising:
receiving a validation character string;
printing the received validation character string on
a voucher;
scanning the voucher for a scanned validation character
10 string; and
verifying the voucher using the received validation
character string and the scanned validation character
string.
- 15 2. The method of claim 1 wherein the received validation
character string is generated by a gaming machine interface
board.
- 20 3. The method of claim 1 wherein the received validation
character string is received from a gaming machine management
system.
- 25 4. The method of claim 1 wherein the scanned validation
character string is generated using an optical character
recognition process.
5. The method of claim 4 wherein the optical character
recognition process is performed by a printer controller.
- 30 6. The method of claim 4 wherein the optical character
recognition process is performed by a voucher scanning device.
- 35 7. The method of claim 1 wherein the voucher is verified by
comparing the received validation character string and the
scanned validation character string.

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8. The method of claim 1 further comprising voiding the voucher if voucher is not verified.

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9. The method of claim 1 wherein the voucher is scanned while the voucher is being printed.

10. An apparatus for verification of a voucher by a gaming printer, comprising:

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means for receiving a validation character string;

means for printing the received validation character string on a voucher;

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means for scanning the voucher for a scanned validation character string; and

means for verifying the voucher using the received validation character string and the scanned validation character string.

20 11. The apparatus of claim 10 further comprising means for generating the scanned validation character string using an optical character recognition process.

25 12. The apparatus of claim 11 wherein the optical character recognition means is included in the voucher scanning means.

30 13. The apparatus of claim 10 wherein the means for verifying the voucher further includes means for comparing the received validation character string and the scanned validation character string.

14. The apparatus of claim 10 further comprising means for voiding the voucher if voucher is not verified.

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15. The apparatus of claim 10 wherein the voucher is scanned
while the voucher is being printed.

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